DISTRICT REPORT.

8. Markets how supplied.

9. Progress of agricultural operations, state of standing crops, prospects and probable outturn of harvests, serious damage done to crops by insects or other natural calamities.

10. Prospects of season, tracts in which the rainfall has been insufficient, area affected by scarcity, number of people under relief, and state of food stocks.

11. Public Health.

12. Remarks as to the condition of agricultural stock, failure of pasturage of fodder, etc.

BANGALORE CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION.

Average for the past five years of the corresponding week.—

Prices of food grains.—Boiled rice, (2nd sort) ... } Report not received } Seers per rupee.
Ragi ... }

BANGALORE CITY AND TALUKS.

8. Markets are well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Nil.

Seeds sown.—Potatoes and mulberry in Devanhalli Taluk.

Standing crops.—Sugar-cane in Hoskote, Kankanhalli, and Magadi Taluks; mulberry in Hoskote and Devanhalli Taluks; paddy, kulthi, pulses and harka in Kankanhalli Taluk are reported to be fair.

Crops harvested.—Ragi in all the taluks and kulthi in Magadi Taluk.

Estimated yield of ragi.— 6 to 8 annas in Bangalore Taluk; 4 to 6 annas in Hoskote Taluk; 2 to 8 annas in Anekal Taluk and 8 annas in Kankanhalli Taluk; 6 annas in Closepet Sub-Taluk; and 4 annas in Nelamangala Taluk.

Damages to crops.—It is reported that the castor crop is damaged by insects in some parts of the Kankanhalli Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season are not good. There was no rainfall during the week Rain is urgently required for the standing crops which are reported to be fading in all the Taluks for want of rain. Food stuffs are available. Cooly classes find sufficient labour. With a view to give employment to the cooly classes in the Sasalu hobli, Dodballapur Taluk where there is a certain amount of scarcity, a few works have been started.

11. Public health is generally good, except for plague in parts of Bangalore, Hoskote, Dodballapur, Nelamangala, Kankanhalli, Magadi, Channapatna, Anekal and Devanhalli Taluks and Closepet Sub-Taluk. Ordinary fever is reported from Bangalore Taluk and small-pox is reported from Kankanhalli Taluk.

12. Cattle are healthy. Water and fodder are available, but it is reported that scarcity of water and fodder is reported in Hoskote Taluk.

KOLAR.

8. Well supplied.

9. *Seeds sown.*—Nil.

Crops harvested and their outturn.—Ragi in all parts of the district yield 2 to 4 annas.

Standing crops.—All the standing crops are reported to be withering for want of rain.

10. Prospects of the season fair.

Prices of food grains.—The price of food grains has risen.

Labour sufficient for cooly classes at present.

11. Public health is generally good, except for plague in parts of the Sidlaghatta, Chikballapur, Goribidnur and Malur Taluks; relapsing fever in parts of the Sidlaghatta, Bagepalli, and Goribidnur Taluks and small-pox in parts of the Kolar and Bagepalli Taluks.

12. Cattle healthy. Drinking water is available at present though with some difficulty. Pasture scarce. Fodder is available just for the present. Free grazing is allowed in the State Forests. Arrangements have been made to open fodder depots. The Government orders re taking cattle to Malnad Forests has been widely published.

TUMKUR.

8. All the markets are fairly supplied, except Maddagiri where the supplies are reported to be inadequate.

9. *Crops sown.*—Jola in parts of Tumkur and Sira Taluks and Koratagere and Turuvekere Sub-Taluks; kadale in parts of Tumkur and Kunigal Taluks and Turuvekere Sub-Taluk; and nati ragi in parts of Sira Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Groundnut in parts of Tumkur Taluk and Koratagere Sub-Taluk huchellu and avare in parts of Tumkur Taluk; ragi in parts of Tumkur, Sira and Kunigal Taluks and Koratagere and Turuvekere Sub-Taluks; sugar-cane in parts of Maddagiri Taluk and Turuvekere Sub-Taluk and paddy in parts of Sira and Kunigal Taluks and Turuvekere Sub-Taluk; yield 1 to 8 annas.

Standing crops.—Sugar-cane, paddy, ragi, avare, togari, kulthi, groundnut, castor, kadale and jola are reported to be withering for want of rains all over the district, except sugar-cane and paddy which are dependent on the supply of tanks or wells.

10. *Prospects of the season.*—Not good. Rains are wanted urgently.

11. *Public health.*—Plague is prevalent in parts of Tumkur, Chiknayakanhalli, Tiptur and Kunigal Taluks and Turuvekere Sub-Taluk. Dysentery in parts of Pavagada Taluk. Small-Pox in parts of Kunigal Taluk and relapsing fever in parts of Koratagere Sub-Taluk.

Precautionary measures are being taken to arrest the spread of the diseases.

12. Cattle are reported to be generally healthy throughout the district, except for Rinderpest at Pathagonahalli in the Pavagada Taluk. Except Turuvekere Sub-Taluk, where fodder is reported to be available for the present, the difficulty exists in the remaining taluks, much more in parts of Maddagiri and Pavagada Taluks. All the State Forests have been thrown open for free grazing of cattle and two Fodder Depots one at Kodigenahalli and the other at Maddagiri, are opened. The difficulty for water is felt in almost all the places of the district, much more so in parts of Gubbi and Maddagiri Taluks. Sinking of drinking water wells is arranged throughout.

MYSORE.

8. Generally well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Nil.

Standing crops are paddy, sugar-cane, horse gram, togari, ragi, castor, kadale, hine jola, ramtil, haraka, coriander, tobacco, cotton, mulberry, tadaguni, wheat, groundnut, chillis, black and green grams, and they are reported to be generally in good condition, except in parts of Mysore, Chamrajnagar, Malvalli, Mandya and Krishnarajpete Taluks, where they are reported to be withering for want of rain. Crops in parts of Hunsur and dry crops in parts of Heggaddevankote are in need of rain. Dry crops are reported to have been completely withered owing to failure of rains in parts of T. Narsipur and Nagamangala. Some kind of worm is damaging avare, etc., crops in parts of Hunsur.

Crops sown.—Nil.

Crops harvested.—Paddy in parts of Seringapatam, Hunsur, Yadatore (8 annas) Heggaddevankote, Nanjangud, Krishnarjpete (8 to 12 annas) and Nagamangala Taluks (2 to 6 annas); horse gram in parts of Mysore, Chamrajnagar, (2 to 4 annas) Seringapatam and Yedatore (8 annas) Nanjangud and Krishnarajapete Taluks; ragi in parts of Seringapatam, Mandya (3 to 8 annas) Krishnarajpete, (8 annas) and Nagamangala Taluks; togari in parts of Gundlupet (4 annas) and Heggaddevankote Taluks; groundnut in parts of Nanjangud Taluk and castor, black and green grams (4 annas each) in parts of Gundlupet Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season are fair, but rain is wanted throughout the district.

11. Public health is generally good except for plague in parts of Mysore, Chamrajnagar, Seringapatam, Hunsur, Gundlupet, Nanjangud, Malvalli, Mandya and Krishnarajpete Taluks; influenza in parts of Hunsur Taluk and small-pox in parts of Yedatore Taluk.

12. Cattle are reported to be generally healthy except for Dodroga in parts of Mysore and Heggaddevankote Taluks and Chapperoga in parts of Heggaddevankote and Malvalli Taluks.

Water and fodder are generally available but some scarcity for water is being felt in parts of Mysore, Seringapatam, Nanjangud and Mandya Taluks and scarcity for fodder in parts of T. Narsipur, Mandya, and Nagamangala Taluks.

HASSAN.

8. Markets are well supplied.

9. (1) *Agricultural operations.*—Nil.

(2) *Condition of standing crops.*—Paddy in the Manjarabad Taluk; paddy and sugar-cane in the Belur and Channarayapatna Taluks and kulthi in the Alur Sub-Taluk are reported to be in fairly good condition. Gram and togari in the Hassan Taluk and avare, kulthi, paddy and togari in the Arsikere Taluk are reported to be withering for want of rains and to require rain. The dry crops in the Channarayapatna Taluk are reported to be fair while those in Hole-Narsipur and Arkalgud Taluks are reported to be not in good condition.

(3) *Crops harvested and their outturn.*—Paddy in all the taluks except Arsikere; sugar-cane in the Belur and Channarayapatna Taluks and Alur Sub-Taluk; ragi in Arsikere, Channarayapatna, Hole-Narsipur and Arkalgud Taluks; kulthi in the Channarayapatna and Hole-Narsipur Taluks and jola in the Arsikere Taluk are being harvested. The outturn of paddy in the Belur Taluk is estimated at 10 annas.

10. Prospects of the season are reported to be fair. Rain is required for the standing crops in all the Taluks.

11. Public health is generally good but for plague in parts of Arkalgud, Belur and Arsikere Taluks, fever in parts of Belur Taluk and Malaria in parts of Arsikere Taluk.

12. Cattle are healthy.

Water and fodder are generally available except in parts of Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks. Cattle from some of these taluks are reported to have been taken to Malnad for grazing. The State Forests of Hirikalgudda and Ramenahalli in the Arsikere Taluk are thrown open for free grazing for the cattle of Channarayapatna and Arsikere Taluks and grass and leaves are also allowed to be cut and removed therefrom free of cost. The cutting of date-leaves for fodder is also permitted in these two taluks.

SHIMOGA.

8. Markets are well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Ploughing operations are going in the Shikarpur Taluk.

Seeds sown.—Nil.

State of standing crops.—Paddy and sugar-cane in all the taluks; ragi in the taluks of Shimoga, Channagiri and Honnali; hors egram in the taluks of Shimoga, Channagiri, Honnali, Shikarpur and Sorab; jola, avare, togari and cotton in the taluks of Channagiri and Honnali; castor in the taluks of Shikarpur and Sorab; chilly plants in the taluks of Channagiri, Honnali, Shikarpur and Sorab and areca in the taluks of Sorab, Sagar, Nagar and Tirthahalli are reported to be in fairly good condition.

Crops harvested.—Paddy in all the taluks; ragi in the taluks of Shimoga and Channagiri; jola in Channagiri and Honnali; horsegram in the taluks of Shimoga, Channagiri and Honnali; cotton in the Honnali Taluk and areca in the taluks of Sorab, Sagar, Nagar and Tirthahalli are being harvested. Sugar-cane is being milled in the Shimoga Taluk.

10. The prospects of the season are fair. The dry crops are said to be withering in the taluks of Shimoga, Channagiri, Honnali and Sorab.

11. There is plague in Channagiri town and in parts of Ubrani hobli in the Channagiri Taluk; in Belagutte, Joenahali, Guddehalli and Kudarekonda in the Honnali Taluk in Kaginahalli, Siralkoppa and Shikarpur town in the Shikarpur Taluk in Hurali and Mallapur in the Sorab Taluk and in Tirthahalli town. Rainfall is reported in Thalakala koppa in the Sorab Taluk ordinary fever in Chinnikatte and Masadi in the Honnali Taluk. Malaria is still said to be prevalent in parts of Sorab Taluk.

12. Except for Epizootic Aphtha in Hegoodu in the Sorab Taluk, cattle are reported to be healthy. Fodder and water are available. The Amildar, Honnali, reports that people are collecting grass from Malnad tracts and neighbouring jungles. The Amildar of Shimoga reports that about 200 cattle have been brought from Gubbi Taluk, Tumkur District, in quest of fodder to Anupinakate village of Shimoga Taluk.

KADUR.

8. Well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Nil.

Crops sown.—Nil.

Standing crops.—Chikmagalur—Paddy, sugar-cane, menthya, garlic and coriander. Kadur—Sugar-cane, paddy, avare, togari and horse gram. Tarikere—Sugar-cane, avare, and caster. Koppa—Areca, sugar-cane, paddy and cardamom. Narasimharajpura—Sugar-cane, and paddy. Sringeri—Paddy, and areca. Mudgere—Paddy, sugar-cane, and cardamom.

The standing crops chiefly wet and garden are reported to be in fairly good condition.

Crops harvested.—Chikmagalur—Paddy, and coffee yield 8 annas. Kadur—Ragi, yield 2 to 6 annas. Tarikere—Ragi, cholum, horse-gram, paddy, save and navane, (ragi yield 4 annas, paddy yield 8 annas). Mudgere—Paddy, ragi, coffee, and cardamom. Narasimharajpura—Paddy, areca and coffee. Sringeri—Paddy and areca, yield 8 annas.

10. Prospects of the season are fair. Food grains are available for the present but their prices are steadily rising. Want of rain has badly affected the standing crops especially dry crops in parts of the Chikmagalur, Kadur and Tarikere Taluks.

11. Public health is generally good. Plague prevails in parts of Chikmagalur, Kadur and Tarikere Taluks.

12. Cattle are generally healthy. Water and fodder are available at present. Doddaroga prevails in parts of Kadur and Mudgere Taluks, but it is reported to be subsiding in Koppa Town. It is reported by the Amildar of Chikmagalur that one thousand cattle have come for grazing and 300 people to work in the coffee estates from Gubbi Taluk.

CHITALDRUG.

8. Markets were well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—Cotton, chilly, togari, avare, kulthi, tobacco, paddy, castor, and they are reported to be withering for want of rain.

Seeds sown.—Jola and kadale in some tank beds of Challakere Taluk, bilijola and kadale in parts of Harihar Sub-Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Chitaldrug—Togari, kulthi, cotton, and navane, yield 4 to 6 annas; Challakere—paddy and ragi, yield 8 annas; Hiriyur—paddy, yield 4 annas; Holalkere—ragi 4 to 8 annas. Davangere—ragi, jola, and navane, yield 6 annas; Molakalmuru—paddy yield 6 to 8 annas; Harihar kulthi, yield 4 annas.

10. Prospects of the season are not bad. Standing dry crops are reported to be in urgent need of rain. Foodstuffs are available. Prices have risen. Cooly classes are finding agricultural labour.

11. Public health is generally good but for plague in parts of Davangere, Holalkere and Jagalur Taluks and Harihar Sub-Taluk and relapsing fever and small-pox in parts of Chitaldrug and Holalkere Taluks. Precautionary measures are reported to have been taken in the matter of checking the spread of the diseases.

12. Cattle are reported to be generally healthy. Water and fodder are generally available except in parts of Challakere, Hiriyur, Molakalmuru and Hosdurga Taluks, where fodder is reported to be getting scarce. Date leaves in parts of Hosdurga Taluk and kamara leaves in parts of Hiriyur and Molakalmuru Taluks are being used as fodder. State Forests have also been thrown open for grazing purposes.

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